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**Minutes  
Coastal Carolina University  
Board of Trustees**

**Government Affairs Committee  
E. Craig Wall Jr. Board Room  
May 7, 2015**

**Committee Members Present:** Mr. Samuel H. Frink, Ms. Natasha M. Hanna, Mr. Marion B. Lee, Mr. William L. Lyles Jr. and Mr. Daniel W. R. Moore Sr.

**Committee Member Not Present:** Mr. George E. Mullen

**Other Board Members Present:** Mr. William S. Biggs, Mr. Fred F. DuBard III, Mr. D. Wyatt Henderson, Mr. Carlos C. Johnson, Mr. Charles E. Lewis, Dr. Oran P. Smith, Mr. Eugene C. Spivey, Mr. H. Delan Stevens, Dr. Samuel W. Swad, Mr. Robert G. Templeton and Mr. William E. Turner III

**Others Present:** Ms. Carolyn S. Bender, Ms. Stacie A. Bowie, Dr. J. Ralph Byington, Dr. Brian Bunton, Ms. Lori G. Church, Dr. Debbie C. Conner, Ms. Amanda E. Craddock, Dr. David A. DeCenzo, Mr. Edgar L. Dyer, Mr. Matt Hogue, Mr. Timothy E. Meacham, Mr. Rein Mungo, Ms. Jennifer Packard, Mr. William M. Plate Jr., Ms. V. Chyrel Stalvey, Mr. Gregory T. Thompson, Ms. Sharon A. Sluys and Mr. David Yancey

(In accordance with the requirements of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act, the news media were notified of the time, location, and agenda for the meeting. Charles Perry of the Sun News was in attendance.)

Chairman Larry Lyles brought the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

**Sam Frink moved to approve the February 26, 2015 committee minutes. Dan Moore seconded and the motion passed.**

President David DeCenzo reported that the General Assembly has been working feverishly on next year's budget. Senators Rankin and Cleary made an appointment with Senator Hugh Leatherman to discuss the need of recurring funds for Coastal Carolina University. Senator Leatherman was receptive. Obviously, the issue is how much the State has to spend. The House version has \$1.45M additional recurring funds for Coastal Carolina in the budget and it is hoped that it will hold when it goes to the Senate.

Lyles congratulated Dr. DeCenzo on his developing relationship with Senator Leatherman.

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The proposed bond bill is tied to the budget but is a separate piece. It has had considerable debate. It will not add one additional dollar of debt to the State as it will remain consistent with what the state has been paying for 15 years.

DeCenzo reported that he is pleased with the performance of Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough's Craig Metz in Washington, D.C. and that we are getting a good return on our investment.

As there was no other business, Dan Moore moved to adjourn and Marion Lee seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Chyrel Stalvey for  
Charles E. Lewis  
Secretary/Treasurer